WALK THE LINE **County Durham**

End Walk the Line at Lanchester, the site of Roman fort, Longovicium - on the Roman road from York... or if you still have energy, carry on along the line.

Fort foundations can be viewed just outside the village.



A long straight section takes you to another coalfield community, Langley Park. Langley Park was the childhood home of Sir Bobby Robson.

Beaurepaire was visited by Kings Edward I, Edward II, and Edward III from 1296 to 1335.

Malton offers the perfect place to pause and picnic.

An old pit wheel stands in front of the Bearpark Community Centre, a memorial to the village's mining history.

From Broompark head to Bearpark.

Beaurepaire Priory was built in 1258 by the Prior of Durham. It became a retreat for Durham monks, but was largely destroyed by the Scots in 1640 and 164.

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Broompark is where the old railway briefly joins the new, as you travel alongside the East Coast Main Line for a short while.

Pass both Sunnybrow and Willington.

Travel through Brandon and Meadowfield to Broompark picnic area.

George Burdon McKean's memorial stone in Willington recongises his Victoria Cross for gallantry in 1917.

Gem Archer, former Oasis guitarist, was born in Hunwick.

Hunwick dates from Saxon times when it belonged to the Cathedral church of Durham.

Begin Walk the Line at the Newton Cap picnic area. Take in the views of

Picturesque Brancepeth boasts a castle, once a fortress of the Neville Earls of Westmorland. Brancepeth Castle Golf Club is regarded as one of the finest in the North East.

The Castle is one of the best preserved Bishops' palaces in Europe.

Auckland Castle.

Part of an extensive network of railway paths, Walk the Line covers a long section ideal for walkers and cyclists.

On this route, the Bishop-Auckland to Brandon line links with the Lanchester Valley route at Broompark.

The line used to carry iron ore to **Consett Steelworks and coal from** Langley Park, but they now provide a fantastic, picturesque route for lovers of the great outdoors.

THE ROUTE

- 1. Start at the Cap
- 3. Sunnybrow/ Willington Way
- 4. Brancepeth
- 5. Old joins the
- 6. Grin and

- 7. A place to reflect
- 2. Pass by Hunwick 8. Into the
 - 9. Perfect place to picnic
 - 10. Roman around the village

HOW TO GET TO THE START

and enter the postcode **DL14 7SF**.

SUITABILITY







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